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"Millions of baseball fans around the world know little or nothing about the irrepressible heroes of the Negro Baseball Leagues, dazzling crowds with their fresh and gutsy plays in one town while knowing they might be lynched in the next. A new film, “The Untold Truth,” is going to change all that and give them their proper place in baseball history. This is an unforgettable story of American boldness and inspiration that must be told.”

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The Untold Truth, LLC, a Missouri 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, is delighted to announce we are partnering with Hawkins Financial Service, LLC and the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum (NLBM) to tell the long-awaited story of he historically-named Negro Baseball Leagues from their beginnings over a century ago, including the story of the great Kansas City Monarchs. "As a Kansas City native and a lover of baseball,” William Hawkins states, “It is an honor to be a part of such a historic and important project. This is a phenomenal team of people who truly care about getting the story told accurately and with passion.”

Both Hawkins Financial and NLBM are based in the historic 18th and Vine Jazz District, which means the pride and honor of bringing this project to the world belongs to our hometown, Kansas City, MO. The Untold Truth, to be narrated by Oscar and Emmy award-winning actor Louis Gossett, Jr., is an exciting, celebrity driven documentary in the style of ESPN 30 For 30. The truth will be told through archival footage of the players and coaches themselves, intercut with deep personal stories from heroes, celebrities, and public figures past and present, who share how the courage and tenacity of the Negro Leagues have impacted their lives and careers and continue to inspire them today. Some reviews and quotes from TheUntoldTruth.com, include:

“The Untold Truth picks up where “Roots” left off and tells the story of the accomplishments of African Americans.”
-- Louis Gossett, Jr.

“The first 20 guys were insane; it was like these guys couldn’t get in? […]to the MLB]” – Chris Rock

“He (Jackie Robinson) was a catalyst I believe, for the Civil Rights Movement.” – Rachel Robinson

“You could feel really blessed with the landscape that these gentleman prior, have set for us.” – Alex Rodriguez

Enhancing the experience will be music artfully-curated to bring the stories and the mood of the times into deep relief, drawn from period pieces, jazz, blues, and R&B through the years to include the voices of hip-hop artists...
of today as they too express the enduring legacy and impact the Negro Leagues have had on their lives.

The Untold Truth was developed by Kansas City’s own Wrapped Productions and its principals John Rittenour and Larrie Durham, together with Gary Ballen and Gregg Champion from Los Angeles. We are grateful for the guidance and input of Bob Kendrick, president of NLBM, who is allowing use of interviews, films, photos, memorabilia, and artifacts held by the museum. Joining the team are Seattle Mariner Dee Gordon, and former MLB player Juan Pierre. Producer/Director Gregg Champion states, "It is great to have William Hawkins as part of the team now, a true Kansas City son and lover of all things baseball. William has the passion, knowledge, and business acumen to take The Untold Truth, a once in a lifetime project, to new heights.”

With Hawkins Financial on board, The Untold Truth, LLC is now accepting tax-deductable donations from individuals, businesses, and advertising sponsors to assist in the underwriting of the project. Fundraising events are in the planning stages, and the documentary is slated for release next year.

Future Negro Leagues projects include: a Broadway play, a Buck O’Neil feature film, a Saturday morning cartoon series, and an educational program for schools to be maintained as a resource for educators for both Black History Month and the general curriculum.
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